

BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL, GAS, AND MINING
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
in and for the STATE OF UTAH

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPROVAL OF)	
THE NOTICE OF INTENT AND RECLAMATION)	ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
PLAN SUBMITTED BY MINERALS WEST, INC.)	NO. ACT/037/028
MI VIDA MINE)	
SAN JUAN COUNTY, UTAH)	

THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION, MINERALS AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN TOWNSHIP 30 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST, SLBM, SAN JUAN COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given that tentative approval was given by the Utah Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining, on August 23, 1979, to Minerals West, Inc., P.O. Box 277, Monticello, Utah 84535, to commence underground random room and pillar, trackless, uranium mining operations at three existing mine sites which consist of the Mi Vida Mine, the Expectation Drift and the Expectation Canyon Mine on portions of Section 11, Township 30 South, Range 24 East, San Juan County, Utah. The name of the mine is the Mi Vida Mine and the person representing the company in this matter is Mr. Milton C. Neilson, Minerals West, Inc., P.O. Box 277, Monticello, Utah 84535.

Minerals West, Inc. has fulfilled the obligations under the Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975 (Section 40-8, U.C.A. 1953, as amended), and will employ the following reclamation techniques on approximately 3 acres of Fee Leases:

During Operations:

- 1) Mining will be conducted in a safe, sound technical and prudent miner-like manner.
- 2) Only pre-existing dumping areas, roads and surface facilities will be utilized.

After Operations:

- 1) Reclamation activities will comply with Rule M-10 of the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act and will include the following:
 - a. Surface debris, scrap metal, discarded wood, and unuseable buildings will be buried or removed from the site.
 - b. Portals, shafts, and ventilation holes will be sealed to prevent unauthorized or accidental entry.
 - c. Dumps, pads and other disturbed sites will be stabilized.
 - d. Compacted surfaces will be scarified, seeded with a grass-shrub seed mixture in the fall, and drag covered.

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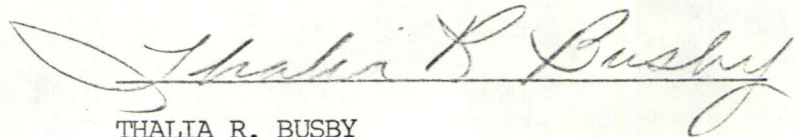
Reclamation performance surety will be established upon final approval of the mining and reclamation plan.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision is hereby requested to submit written protest with 30 days of September 13, 1979, to the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining, 1588 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah, setting forth factual reasons for his complaint, and thereafter, at a time and place heretobe established, appear before the Board of Oil, Gas, and Mining, to show cause, if any there be, why this plan should not be approved.

DATED this 23rd day of August, 1979.

STATE OF UTAH

BOARD OF OIL, GAS, AND MINING

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Thalia R. Busby", is written over a horizontal line.

THALIA R. BUSBY
Secretary of the Board